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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**AUTHORIZE LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S PURCHASING AGENT
TO PROCEED WITH THE ACQUISITION OF
A CERETOM CT SCANNER
(ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

The recommended action will authorize Los Angeles County's (County) Purchasing Agent to acquire a CereTom CT Scanner (Scanner) machine for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's (Department) Twin Towers Correctional Facility (TTCF).

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

Authorize the Internal Services Department (ISD), as the County's Purchasing Agent, to proceed with the acquisition of a Scanner with a cost in excess of \$250,000.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of this recommended action by the Department is to obtain Board approval to authorize the County's Purchasing Agent to proceed with the acquisition of one Scanner machine for TTCF for onsite custodial inmate specialty care. The Department of Health Services (DHS) in conjunction with Los Angeles County University of Southern California Medical Center established the need for this equipment in our Specialty Clinic Memorandum of Understanding that was approved by the Chief Executive Office and the Board.

The Department is requesting Board approval to acquire this equipment, which is consistent with County Purchasing Policy P-2710 requiring Board approval of fixed asset purchases in excess of \$250,000.

Background

The Scanner is an 8-slice small bore portable computerized tomography scanner that delivers the highest quality Non-Contrast, Angiography, and Contract Perfusion scans in a variety of patient locations. Its combination of rapid scan time, easy to use interface, and immediate image viewing make the Scanner an indispensable tool for any clinician needing real time, high quality, images.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The acquisition of the Scanner supports the County's Strategic Plan, Goal 1, Operational Effectiveness, allowing the County to provide emergency medical services to jailed patients.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

On June 28, 2012, the Board passed a motion that provided funding in the amount of \$450,000 for a mobile computerized tomography scanner machine, which was included in the Department's 2013-14 Budget during the recommended Budget phase. The motion also directed the Chief Executive Officer and the Department to ensure that all cost-savings will be used to expand the scope of specialty care.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Board's approval is required in order to purchase fixed asset items in excess of \$250,000.

This Board letter has been reviewed by County Counsel.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

This is a commodity purchase under the statutory authority of the County's Purchasing Agent. The purchase will be requisitioned through, and accomplished by, the County's Purchasing Agent in accordance with the County's purchasing policies and procedures established by the ISD.

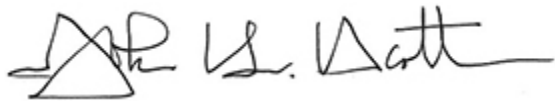
IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

On June 28, 2012, DHS informed the Board about its work with the Department to assess options for improving specialty care for patients incarcerated in County jails. This report also included a proposed plan describing how DHS could further collaborate with the Department's Medical Services Bureau to improve services by providing on-site specialty care to jailed patients.

CONCLUSION

Upon approval by the Board, please return two adopted copies of this letter to the Department's Administrative and Training Division.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John L. Scott". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "J" and "S".

JOHN L. SCOTT
Sheriff

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